

**REMARKS**

Original Claims 4-6, 9, 11, 13-17, 19-25 and 28 have been amended. New Claim 31 has been added. A "Related Applications" paragraph has been added. No new matter has been added. Section headings have been added to each section.

**Information Disclosure Statement**

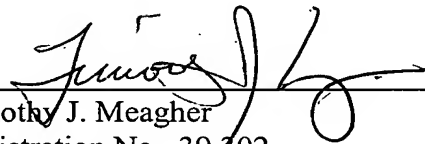
An Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) is being filed concurrently herewith to cite references from the PCT Search Report. Entry of the IDS is respectfully requested.

**CONCLUSION**

Entry of the Preliminary Amendment is respectfully requested. If the Examiner feels that a telephone conference would expedite prosecution of this case, the Examiner is invited to call the undersigned at (978) 341-0036.

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